IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEW MEXICO

ANNETTE MONTOYA,

Plaintiff,

v. CIV. No. 98-899 JP/WWD

LAS VEGAS CITY SCHOOLS, LAS VEGAS, NEW MEXICO,

Defendant.

MEMORANDUM OPINION AND ORDER

On March 5, 1999, Defendant filed its motion to strike Plaintiff's jury demand (Doc. No. 28). Defendant argues that Plaintiff has waived her right to a jury trial by failing to file her jury demand in a timely fashion. A review of the file in this case reveals that Plaintiff's counsel has been somewhat lackadaisical in her attempts to secure her client's right to a jury trial and that there has been some confusion among the parties as to whether this was a jury or non-jury case. However, Plaintiff's claim of pregnancy discrimination is one which should ordinarily be tried by a jury, and consequently I will exercise my discretion under Fed. R. Civ. Pro. 39(b) and order a trial by jury on Plaintiff's claims.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

- (1) Defendant's motion to strike Plaintiff's jury demand (Doc. No. 28) is DENIED; and
- (2) this case is set for jury trial on July 26, 1999 at 1:30 p.m. in Santa Fe, New Mexico.

ITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE